

**REMARKS**

With this Amendment, Applicants cancel claims 1, 2, 4-8, and 10-68 and rewrite claim 9 into independent form including the limitations of claims 1, 7, and 8 from which it previously depended. Therefore, claim 9 is the only claim currently pending.

The Examiner has indicated the allowability of claim 9. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that claim 9 be allowed.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,



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